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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Abdul-Ridha, et al.SERIAL NO.: 09/761,489 FILED: January 16, 2001FOR: Improved Structures Based on Ceramic Tantalum Nitride

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THIRD MONTH AFTER TIME PERIOD SET	950.00	475.00	\$ 950.00
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir/Madam:

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated July 30, 2003 in the above-referenced patent application. Please enter and consider the following amendments and remarks.